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## House Democrats Engage in Fear Mongering, Aim to Block Court Reform with Scare Tactics

**Tallahassee, Fla.** – Florida House Majority Leader Carlos Lopez-Cantera (R-Miami) released the following statement regarding the categorically false statements made by House Democrats during today's debate on the comprehensive court reform legislation.

"The Democrats need to try reading the bill before they read talking points prepared by the Florida Democratic Party.

"The statements made today by House Democrats suggesting that this proposal will in any way affect the makeup of the Supreme Court prior to redistricting constitute a devious use of scare tactics and an intentional attempt to confuse and mislead Florida voters.

"The bill we voted on today does not contain any language that would put this measure before the voters in advance of the court's initial review of new maps. Furthermore, the new divisions of the Supreme Court would not be fully functional until 120 days after voter approval of this amendment.

"I urge Florida Democrats to stick to the facts and to stop attempting to deceive Florida voters."